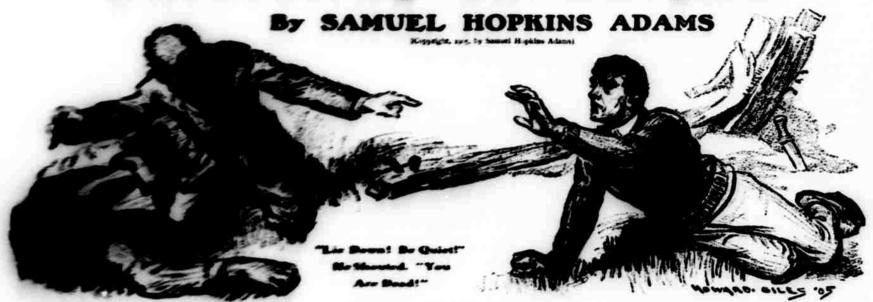
THE FLYING DEATH

Unraveling an Enigma



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SUNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS

Stanley Richards Colton, a prominent young physician, ment to Montauk Point, Long Island, to reespeciate, stopping at a hostelry known as Third Mouse. Other guests there were Professor Ravensien, an emittent scientist, and his daughter Bolly. and Harris Haynes, a newspaper man, who had be-friended Helga Johnston, adopted daughter of the properior of Third House. The night of Colton's arrival a singuinesk occurred. One of the record sudon. Petersen by name, was discovered to have been aifled by a terrible wound through the back. Colton and Bally subsequently found a dead sheep on the beach with a deep wound in its back. Colton learned in conversation with Helga that his brother Executed had been Helga's sweetheart, opposition of the Colton family having extranged the couple. Whaller, a juggler who had been rescued from the slipsered, gave a wonderful exhibition of knife-throwing, at the conclusion of which he drove a laute dangerously near to Haynes' face, as a "warn-ing," he said, then disappeared over the hills. Evexard Colton arrived at Third House. He reported that his horse was strangely frightened and broke away, and that he felt a strange movement in the air, while aiding from the station. The bely of an account named Ely was discovered, bearing the mosterious wound that had become common. Sendholm, a life-guard, was found dead on the beach with the same une anny wound. Havnes discovered tracks near the hody that Professor Ravenden said could have been made by none other than a pteranodon, a prelimit on moneter. Haynes' body was found on the heach, with the usual wound. While trying to solve the mystery of the tracks on the beach, Dick Colton was struck down mysteriously.

body of Dick Colton lying upon the hard sand out from the mouth of the ravine where Serdholm and Haynes had met their death.

For the moment the scientist was stunned into inaction. Suddenly the body twitched, and there swept over the unhappy entomologist a dreadful sense of his own negligence and responsibility. Along the heights paralleling the beach-line he ran at atmost speed, dipped down into a hollow where, for the time, the prospect was shut off, and surmounted the slope beyond, which brought him

almost above the body. and a little to the east at the gully. Mean-Eaking points time the fog had been closing down, and now, as the professor reacha gray and wavering and what her below.

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prehension. Suddenly it doubled on itself, contracted to a compact l.lur, underwent a swift inversion, and before the scientist's straining vision there arose a man, dreadful of aspect indeed, but still a human being, and as such, not beyond human powers to cope with. The man had been moving toward the body of Colton when the professor's shout arrested him. Now he whirled about and stood facing the height with squinted eyes and bestially gnashing teeth.

To delay him was the one chance for Colton's life, if Colton indeed was not beyond help. "If I only could get down the gully!" thought the pro-fessor, and dismissed the thought instantly. Time for any course except the direct one now was lack-

ing. The one way lay over the cliff.
"Stand where you are!" he shouted in a voice of command, and before the words were fairly done he was in mid-air, a giddy terror dulling his brain as he plunged down through the fog. Fortunately-for the bones of fifty-odd years are brittle-he landed upon a slope of soft sand. Pitching forward, he threw himself completely over, and carried to his feet by the impetus, charged down the slope upon the man.

It was the juggler. So much the professor realized as he sped forward. Mania of murder was written unmistakably on the seamed and malignant face and in the eyes as the man turned them on the professor. His posture was that of a startled beast, alert and alarmed. Beyond him, near the sprawled body of Colton, a huge knife with an inordinately broad blade stuck, half upright, in the sand. Toward this the maniac had started, but turned swiftly with a snarl, and crouched, as the intrepid scientist ran in upon him.

Exultation, savage and keen, a most unscientific emotion, blazed up in Professor Ravenden as he noted that his opponent had little the advantage of him in size and weight. What little there was would be offset by his own natural wiriness of frame which a rigid habit of life and out-of-door existence had kept from deterioration with age. The scientist came in stooping low, and stooping low the murderer met the onset. The two closed.

With a sudden, daunting shock the entomologist realized, as Whalley's muscles tightened on his, that he had met the strength of fury. For a moment they strained, Professor Ravenden straining for a grip which should enable him to break the other's foothold. Then with a rabid scream the creature dashed his face into the professor's shoulder Through and flesh sheared the ravening teeth, until they grated on the shoulder-blade.

Not improbably this saved the professor's life and Dick Colton's, for upon the outrage of that assault a fury not less insancthan the maniac's fired him, and he who always had prided bimself upon a considered austerity of the emotions and passions was roused to the world-old baresark thirst of murder which lies somewhere, black and terrible, in the soul of every courageous man, and sends him at

last straight to the throat of his enemy. Power flushed through his veins; his muscles distended with the strength of